

October 31, 2006

**MAINE EMS EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
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Date: October 31, 2006

Member Present: D. Batsie (Chairman), L. Delano, B. Chamberlin, D. Palladino, P. Farrington, R. Overlock, S. Latulippe, R. Chase, C. Pillsbury

Absent: S. Diaz, B. Zito, M. Barter, D. Cornelio, B. Davis, D. Robishaw, S. Stewart-Dore, J. Wellman, D. Russell

Guests: none

Timekeeper: Smith

Scribe: S. Smith

Meeting Opened at: 0930

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/ACTIONS TAKEN	FUTURE ACTION
1. Introductions	1. Introductions of all present	1. No action items necessary.
2. Ratification of Minutes	2. Minutes of October 11, 2006 meeting accepted (Unanimous)	2. No action items necessary.
3. Staff Report	3. Deferred	3. No action items necessary.
4. Old Business a. Update on PIFT	4. a. Discussion of various PIFT issues. Consensus that there needs to be some sort of formal application process to be a PIFT Instructor. Documentation of approved instructors would be handled by MEMS and copied to Regional Offices. MEMS will maintain the Instructor database. All PIFT rosters will be sent to MEMS for entry into a PIFT Provider database. MEMS will then issue PIFT certificates back to the instructors for distribution. Clarification that epicardial wires are not a PIFT intervention. Service application form was reviewed- will discuss more with Ops. Discussion on the flow of the QA form. Correct path is service to service medical director for review. At this time, does not need to go to regions or MEMS unless requested. Concerns from Region 1 on this since no formal QA committee, just a QA Coordinator, this may be too much work.	4. a. Scott/Dan to work on updating the PIFT documents for November meeting. Scott will be setting up a database for PIFT providers and services in the office. Scott to update Ops on where we stand.
b. CPR Memo	b. Discussion that the recent CPR memo to services actually is causing more confusion.	b. Scott to bring to MDPB for rewording and will send new letter.

5. New Business:  a. Accreditation Workshop	a. Scott began with a Power Point presentation on the National EMS Scope of Practice (SoP) and its relations to the EMS Agenda for the Future. Discussion ensued about what we wanted to accomplish with this process. A summary of the thoughts is attached. Scott distributed a number of articles and models dealing with EMS and allied health accreditation for the committee to review. Batsie indicated the work plan was to keep this on the agenda as a regular topic for future meetings as we develop a plan of models that might work for Maine.	5.  a. Committee members to review and reflect on the discussion and handouts for next meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 1430	Next Meeting: December 13, 2006 at 0930	

Respectfully Submitted: Scott A. Smith, RN, BSN, BA, CEN, CFRN, NREMT-P, I/C  
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